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IN THE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA AT BANGALORE

DATED THIS THE 18TH DAY OF JUNE 1998

P R E S E N T

THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE ASHOK BHAN

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THE HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE S.R.VENKATESHA MURTHY

WRIT PETITION NO.34002/1996

BETWEEN:

1. Shri.Ramegowda, S/o Chellegowda,
major, Agriculturist & President
of Gangur Mandal Panchayat,
Gangur, Ramanathapur Hobli,
Arakalgud Taluk,
Hassan Dist.
2. Sri.Rajachar, S/o Thimmachar,
major, Occ: Agril., R/o
Raginarrur, Ramanathapura Hobli,
Arakalagud Taluk,
Hassan Dist.
3. Sri.Javarayya, S/o Irayya,
major, Occ: Agril.,
R/o Yalahalli, Ramanathapur
Hobli, Arakalgud Taluk,
Hassan Dist.
4. Sri.K.T.Venkategowda,
S/o Thammegowda, major,
Occ: Agriculturist,
R/o Katte-pura, Arakalagud
Taluk, Hassan Dist.

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5. Jagadeesh, S/o Javaregowda,
major, Occ: Agril., Member
of Kattepur Mandal Panchayath,
Arakalgud Taluk,
Hassan Dist.

... Petitioners.

(Sri.Ko.Vijaya Kumar for Petrs.)

AND:

1. The State of Karnataka,
by its Secretary,
Dept. of Revenue,
Multistoreyed Building,
Bangalore - 1.

2. The State of Karnataka,
by its Secretary,
Forest Dept., Multistoreyed
Building, Bangalore - 1.

3. Deputy Commissioner,
Hassan Dist., Hassan.

4. The Deputy Conservator of
Forest, Hassan.

5. Asst. Range Forest Officer,
Sakaleshpura, Hassan Dist.

6. Asst. Commissioner,
Sakaleshpura, Hassan Dist.

7. The Tahsildar,
Arakalagud Taluk,
Hassan Dist.

8. The Hon'ble Minister for Forest,
Govt. of Karnataka, Vidhana
Soudha, Bangalore - 1.

... Respondents.

(Sri.H.Kantharaja, G.A., for Respdts.)

... 3/-

This Writ Petition filed under Articles 226 & 227 of the Constitution of India with an affidavit praying to: Direct the respondents not to distribute the forest land bearing Sy.No.1 of Gangur Village, Ramanathapuram Hobli, Arakalgud Taluk, Hassan Dist. to anybody for any purpose and etc.

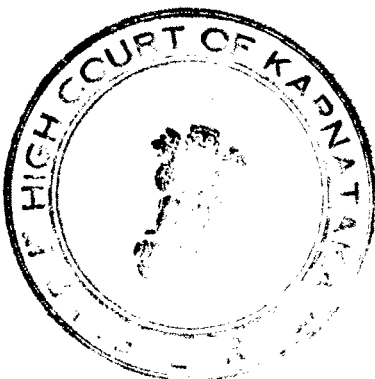
This Writ Petition coming on for preliminary hearing this day, ASHOK BHAN, J., made the following:

O R D E R

This petition is filed as public interest litigation seeking mandamus directing the respondents not to disturb the forest land bearing Sy.No.1 of Gangur Village, Ramanathapuram Hobli, Arakalgud Taluk, Hassan District.

In the statement of objections filed by the respondents, it has been stated categorically that no forest land has been distributed or is to be distributed in future, as alleged in the petition.

In view of the written statement filed by the respondents, this petition is dismissed.



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Sd/- Judge.

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